

(Washington, DC)— Congresswoman Gwen Moore is set to receive an “Everyday Hero” award tonight at an annual event celebrating the 33rd anniversary of Roe v. Wade, the landmark Supreme Court case that secured a woman’s right to choose. Congresswoman Moore is a recipient of the award for her years in public office as a champion of reproductive rights, particularly for her work in the Wisconsin State Senate to require insurance companies to cover prescription contraceptives. The award is being given by NARAL Pro-Choice America, one of the nation's leading advocates for privacy and a woman's right to choose.

“It is truly an honor to be recognized by such a prominent organization, one which has been at the forefront of the fight for reproductive freedoms since it was formed in 1969,” Congresswoman Moore said. “Tonight’s celebration is bittersweet, however, as just today the Senate voted to confirm a Supreme Court Justice who could very well overturn Roe v. Wade and roll back many of the rights that NARAL has earned for American women over the last thirty-seven years.”

NARAL Pro-Choice America is also recognizing former Director of the Food and Drug Administration’s Office of Women’s Health Susan F. Wood, Ph.D., who resigned in protest of the agency’s continuing refusal to approve over-the-counter status for emergency contraception. Also receiving the “Everyday Hero” award is Shelby Knox, the leader in a courageous effort to demand that the local school board in her hometown of Lubbock, Texas institute comprehensive sex education in Lubbock schools.

NARAL’s Roe v. Wade 33rd Anniversary Dinner is being held at 7pm tonight, January 31 at the Hilton Washington Hotel, located at 1919 Connecticut Ave NW. Media outlets can call (202) 973-3032 for details.

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